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NAVY POSTPONES LOCAL E-4 PROMOTIONS EXAMS AS HURRICANE OPHELIA NEARS

NORFOLK, VA.—Operations at area Navy installations continued as normal today. However, the Navy announced late today that an advancement exam, scheduled for tomorrow morning at area Navy bases, has been postponed. According to the commander of the Navy's Mid-Atlantic Region, the E4 advancement exam for Shore Commands at all Hampton Roads bases has been cancelled and will be rescheduled.

The Navy is postponing the exams in anticipation that weather related to Hurricane Ophelia may affect the morning commute. Thousands of Sailors were scheduled to take the biannual test which is part of the advancement process. No date has been announced for the reschedule exam.

Navy installations since Sunday have been watching the storm, reviewing plans and procedures to protect people, facilities and equipment on the bases in the event the storm threatens the Hampton Roads area, but normal operations have not been affected.

Navy military and civilian personnel are encouraged to check radio or television newscasts in the morning for reporting instructions should the storm affect the morning commute in Hampton Roads.

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